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DEPARTMENT OF CONSERVATION AND NATURAL RESOURCES

DIVISION OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION

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NOTICE OF PROPOSED ACTION

The Administrator, Division of Environmental Protection, Carson City, Nevada is issuing the following notice of proposed action under the Nevada Revised Statutes. The Administrator has received a complete application for the renewal of groundwater discharge permit NEV92007 from the following applicant:

Nevada Cement Company P. O. Box 840 Fernley, NV 89408

The facility is a Portland cement manufacturing plant, currently permitted to discharge non-contact cooling water, used to cool bearings and other rotating equipment, to groundwaters of the State of Nevada at a rate of 720,000 gallons per day. Cooling water is obtained from two on-site wells. The water is circulated through internal cooling system tubing that does not allow the water to come in direct contact with oil, grease or process materials in the equipment. The cooling water exiting the equipment has an elevated temperature. The water is sent to a cooling tower to lower the temperature; water from the cooling tower discharges to a holding basin. The water is then conveyed from the holding basin through an underground pipe which surfaces and discharges to an on-site evaporation/percolation ditch. No cooling water is allowed to flow off-site.

Persons wishing to comment on or object to the proposed determinations by the Administrator regarding permit issuance, or request a hearing pursuant to the Nevada Administrative Code, Water Pollution Control, should submit their comments or request, in writing, within thirty (30) days of the date of newspaper publication, hand-delivered or postmarked no later than 5:00 P.M. on **September 10, 2004**, either in person or by mail to:

Department of Conservation and Natural Resources Division of Environmental Protection Bureau of Water Pollution Control 333 West Nye Lane Carson City, Nevada 89706-0851 Comments and/or hearing requests received via facsimile or e-mail before 5:00 P.M. **September 10, 2004** will also be accepted. All requests for hearings must indicate the interest of the person filing the request and the reason(s) why a hearing is warranted. All comments or objections received within the thirty (30) day comment period will be considered in the formulation of final determinations regarding the application. If written comments indicate a significant degree of public interest in the proposed permit, the Administrator shall hold a public hearing. The public notice of such hearings will be issued not less than thirty (30) days prior to the public hearing date.

If no hearing is held and the determinations of the Administrator are substantially changed from the tentative determinations, the Administrator will give public notice of the revised determinations. Additional comments and objections will be considered at that time.

The application, proposed permit, comments received, and other information are on file and may be copied or copies may be obtained by writing to the above address or by contacting Janine Hartley, Bureau of Water Pollution Control at (775) 687-9458, or at mailto:jhartley@ndep.nv.gov. The office facsimile number is (775) 687-4684. This notice and the Fact Sheet for this facility are also available on the NDEP website at www.ndep.nv.gov/admin/public.htm.

Please bring the foregoing notice to the attention of all persons whom you know would be interested in this matter.